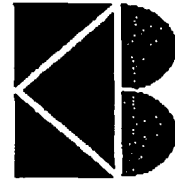


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Dear Sir or Madam:

This communication is in response to the final Office Action mailed on March 25, 2005, in regards to the above-cited patent application.

The three-month shortened statutory period for response is set to expire on June 25, 2005. It is respectfully submitted that this response is timely filed within the shortened statutory period. However, if any extension period is required in order for this paper to be timely filed, then Applicants hereby request an extension for such additional time period and authorize the appropriate fees therefore to be charged to the Kagan Binder Deposit Account No. 50-1775 and notify us of the same.